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THE MASSACHUSETTS veterans got : rade, Admiral Dewey, in their own way." at Boston, without the jealous interference of men who are tired of the old soldiers. Over 10,000 veterans of the Grand Army and the Spanish war were the most con spicuous feature in the enthusiastic ovation which Boston gave the Admiral. Naval vetera is escorted the Admiral's carriage, and the old fellows were everywhere strongly in evidence.

THERE are any number of monuments of Generals and Admirals in Washington, but nothing to show that anybody else that they fought for the country. The G.A.R. W.R.C., Ladies of the G.A.R., Union Veteran Union, Union Veteran Legion and Sons of Veterans should take up the work of supplying this defect, by a glorious monument to the subordinate officers and enlisted men.

EVERY day numerous notices are received at the Pension Bureau of the deatl of claimants who are not on the pension roll and whose claims have been absolutely complete forsa year or more. Is there malicions design in keeping so far behind the work, especially in the Southers Division? In this Division, if a man fails to report for an examination, it is usually six months to a year before another order will be given him.

In case of rejection of an invalid claim on medical grounds, the claimant has the alternative of filing a new declaration, or taking an appeal to the Secretary. The testimony and reports of medical boards may show clearly that he is entitled under numerous decisions of the Secretary, but the Board of Pension Appeals is fully two years behind its work, and if an appeal be Bureau should be sustained, two years' pension may have been lost, as under a appeal to the Secretary a penalty for the appeal? If the Board were only six months | ing them disadvantageously to Europeans. | the second-class. behind its work, probably four times as

of defamation of the veterans in the newspapers of the country "let down" as soon as Henry Clay Evans left Washington for California.

VISIT OF THE PENSION COMMITTEE

NATIONAL TRIBUNE becomes a friend entering upon conquered territory, achieved and ally of the veterans. The paper is such unqualified success. just as interesting to the young men who Compare this experience with that of have grown up since the war as it is to France in Algeria, Cochin China and the veteran. It is the best and most in- Madagascar; with that of Austria in Bosnia teresting general weekly in the whole coun- and Herzogovinia; with that of Germany try, and should be in every family. Let in Alsace and Lorraine, and our success every veteran help his own cause in the appears amazingly brilliant. best way by doing all he can to get THE Is there any reason why we shall not do NATIONAL TRIBUNE subscribers among comparatively as well in the Philippines.? his acquaintances. Let him call their attention to it, point out its excellences, and ask them to subscribe for it.

is now hot.

WE HAVE EXPANDED.

Ex-Secretary Day's letter to Hon. D. K. Watson shows how wear isomely futile is all draws near interest deepens in the question this clamorous drivel against Expansion. whether Brigham H. Roberts, the Repre-There is absolutely no such a question be- sentative from Utah, who claims to be the fore the American people as to whether we husband of three wives, shall be allowed shall or shall not expand. That were to hold his seat. If he is not, on what settled for all time when the Treaty of Peace grounds shall he be unsented? was signed. We then acquired the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico by purchase, ber of the House since March 4, and has precisely as we acquired the Louisiana been drawing his salary as such. In Territory, Florida, California, New Mexico, compliance with the law, the Clerk of the and Alaska. One is just as much an last House-Maj. Alex. McDowell, of integral and inseparable part of our terri- Pennsylvania-made up the roll of the tory as the other. The incidents of the present House and placed on it "the names transfer were identical in character with of those persons, and of such persons only, those by which we acquired California and whose credentials show that they were

paid Spain \$20,000,000 for the cession of name went on the rolls as a matter of right. her sovereignty over the Philippines, just as by the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo we in. He will be objected to. The practice paid Mexico \$15,000,000 for the cession of has been that when there is objection to her sovereignty over California and New the swearing in of any man he has been Mexico. In both cases the territory was requested to stand aside until the others really lost to the former possessors, and were sworn in. But though the question paid large sums for the legal title. There acrimony, the invariable decision of the in any way that affects his character, his is no doubt that Mexico made a good bar- House has been that the member objected property, or his liberty shall have full gain in selling us California and New Mexico for \$15,000,000, and we made a any other, for the reason that any other with every opportunity for self-defense. good bargain in paying that price. The practice would, in times of political ex- Of all the institutions of our Government Mexican treasury, and by no probable turn itself. It has been maintained that the this principle, and practice methods worthy chance "to honor their distinguished com- of affairs could Mexico have realized any- sole function of the House and its officers of the Dreyfus trial and the Spanish In thing like that sum from the country. We at this stage is the determination whether quisition.

> Precisely the same statement is applicable to the Philippines. If Dewey, after his It has been contended that the only way victory, had sailed away. Spain never could have recovered possession of the Philippines. The turbulence, spoliation and murder which would have reigned would have demanded that some stronger hand than Spain's intervene in the interests of humanity and civilization. England, Germany, Russia or Japan would have attempted this, and would have fought Aguinaldo as we are doing, only the situation would have been intensely aggravated by the influence of jealous rivals.

seen to Mexico

We have made the Philippines part of the United States, and are endeavoring to suppress a turbulent and predatory tribe in that section of our country-just as we fought the Seminoles in Georgia and House has frequently taken this view, Florida, the Cherokees and Creeks in Alaama and Mississippi, the Comanches and Apaches in Texas and New Mexico, the Modoes and Klamaths in California and regon, the Sioux in Dakota, and so on.

There can be no doubt that in the very near future the Philippines will be as valuable and necessary parts of the United States as California and Oregon and Florida are to-day. The establishment of peace will be followed by a rush of Ameri-for George Q. Cannon, who was incligible cans to develop the unsurpassed riches of the islands. All that they need to become defiance of the laws of the United States. a garden spot of the world is an influx of American business capacity and energy. Within a few years Americans will more than duplicate there the marvelous performance of the Dutch of Java, where in three-quarters of a century people of the same blood as the Filipinos have been raised from murderous, rapacious barbarism tion sextupled, and the island covered with farms, school-houses, churches, comfortable homes and good roads. The man who new declaration the claim might be allowed. denies the possibility and probability of about 120,000 square miles, or is about Is it unavoidable that the Board of Penion this, simply slanders his countrymen by Appeals is two years behind its work? How attributing to them less capacity, honesty, much delay is common in the courts of the and humanity than the Dutch. He belongs country? Is the long delay involved in an to that despicable class which is perpetually a white population of about 250,000, or

And the man who gives Aguinaldo aid many appeals would be taken as are now and comfort is a traitor, upon whose head insist on retaining all the political power It is very noteworthy how the stream to a part of the earth cursed by barbarism.

OUR INSLUAR ADMINISTRATION.

praise. There has been astonishingly politically, one way or another. little fault found anywhere, and still less The President is now on his homeward that was reasonable. When we consider race, with great strength of character way, and as soon as he is settled down at the conditions upon which we entered the and mind, but narrow, uneducated, and home again the Commander-in-Chief and islands the result is simply amazing, and unprogressive. They will not even be- was an unsuccessful applicant for the could not have been anticipated by the most come farmers, but devote themselves to to his attention the Grand Army's com- hopeful among us. We sent our officers cattle-raising, and until the discovery plaints about the management of the Pen- and troops among a people who are as of gold had dwelt far from contact with sion Bureau. He has probably heard a different from us as it is possible to con-civilization of any kind other than the great deal during his Western tour to im- ceive in a condition of civilization. The primitive sort they maintained in their press him with the generality and the language, laws, and social customs are all isolated ranches, where each family dwelt will probably continue to do so for some earnestness of the dissatisfaction of the widely different from ours. Scarcely a man in a patriarchal state, surrounded by veterans with Mr. Evans, and his mind is that we sent down there knew a word of troops of black menials. in much better condition to consider the Spanish, and he was equally ignorant of The Outlanders, who now form a me action taken by the National Encampment | Latin laws and ways of thinking. Still | jority of the whites, are different from the than when he went away. We may read more, the people had been ground down by usual swarm which rushes to goldfields sonably hope for some decisive action, and centuries of the worst forms of misgovern- Gold-mining there is reduced to an organment. It was in some respects even worse ized industry, like coal-mining, and is than barbarism, for much of what the carried on with highly improved machinery, people had been taught was wrong, and has managed by men of trained skill, ranging THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE is the only to be unlearned to make way for better all the way from mechanics, machinists, great paper in the country which is ad- things. Many of us feared that the people and engineers to the highly educated vocating the rights of the veterans and would become a prey to rascals of our own metallurgists, chemists, and other experts, their dependent ones. It is making a de- race, who would learn just enough of the These resent being checked, overruled, termined, unflinehing fight, where all the islanders' ways to plunder them. We and repressed constantly by narrow-mindothers are either cowardly silent or actively feared that out of misunderstandings ed cattle-herders, who fear any develophostile. It is the sole champion the com- would arise revolts and seditions and ment in the civilization of the country rades have. But in order that it my brigandage, all disappointing and trouble as undermining their influence. make its fight most effectively for them some, and making a severe call upon our The British give as the reason for be it should be extensively read outside of patience in regulating matters, and secur- ginning the war a determination to compel the ranks of the survivors of the war, ing for the people the orderly and honest the Boers to keep their agreement to give Therefore, every veteran who takes an administration of their affairs that we stand the English-speaking whites the civil and Interest in this fight we are making for pledged to give them. None of this has political rights which had been stipulated him should show that interest by exerting happened, and the people of the whole for in conventions between the two counhimself to secure more subscribers and world must stand aghast at the quickness tries. readers for the paper, and that among with which we have restored absolute peace the citizens generally of his neighborhood, and security, without any complaints of put the Outlanders in a position to outvote Every subscriber, every reader of THE tyranny. Never before has any Nation, them.

GEN. MILES was never given a job that he did not finish up with neatness and dis-And let him do this at once, for the fight patch. Work of that kind is what is needed In the Philippines.

THE ROBERTS CASE,

As the time for convening of Congress

In fact, he has been regarded as a mem New Mexico. In both instances we had our regularly elected in accordance with the enemy prostrate and could dictate what laws of their States respectively, or the terms we pleased. Instead, we acted mag- laws of the United States." Mr. Roberts's nanimously, and by the Treaty of Paris credentials were in proper form, and his

Now comes the formality of being sworn never could have been recovered, but we has been often debated with heat and can hearts than that every man, assailed to has just as much right to be sworn in as chance to face his accusers in open court, noney was very welcome to the depleted citement, prevent the House organizing only the Pension Bureau dares violate got territory that we have made a thousand the credentials are regular and sufficient times more valuable than it ever could have If so, the man must be sworn in.

The next step will be to refer his claim to a seat to the Committee on Elections. could not be obtained. This is not true. The Committee on Elections can simply declare him not entitled to a seat, and if its report be adopted by a majority vote, as it will be, he will be unseated.

The grounds upon which the Committee fought over many times in the past, with varying results. It has been strengously are enumerated in the Constitution. The gate from Utah, who had five wives; but the third time, in 1882, Chairman Calkins, in favor of the seat of the Delegate from This was adopted.

This is what the Committee on Elections will probably do again, but Mr. Roberts's friends will claim that Utah having passed from a Territory to a State the Campon case furnishes no precedent,

Stated in the briefest form, the facts about the African war are:

The South African Republic contains as big as New York and Pennsylvania

As near as can be ascertained, it has disparaging his own people, and compar- about as many as an American city of

Less than half of these are Boers, who must be the blood of every American killed of the country in their hands, and conin a most righteous war to bring civilization trolling absolutely the majority of the white inhabitants, who are engaged in in Congress, with about \$6,500 a year, in mining, railroading, merchandizing, man-salary and perquisites, very much the most

So far our management of Cuba and There are about twice as many barbarons Porto Rico has been worthy of the highest blacks in the Republic, who are not counted

The Boers are a God-fearing, fanatical

The Boers prefer to fight rather than

A ROLL OF HONOR.

The Sons of Veterans have done a very handsome thing in publishing in a neat pamphlet the "Roll of Honor" of those members who served in the recent war with Spain. The total number reported is 1,927, or a much larger percentage than enlisted from any other Order or organization in the country. Of these 40 died or were killed while in the service.

FRANCE, after waiting 22 years, has followed the example of the United States and all other civilized Nations, and adopted the meridian of Greenwich

THE GRAND INQUISITOR.

The following letter is a good sample of many that we receive:

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I applied for a pension. It was rejected on the ground of vicious habits. How was it done? By impeaching all the witnesses.

My witnesses were some of the best, most respected, and influential residents of this State. The evidence against me was ex parte. I requested to be informed of the nature of the evidence the conclusions of the Commissioner were based upon of the Commissioner were based upon, and I wanted to know the names of the witnesses, but I was informed that the witnesses who furnished the evidence were promised immunity from prosecution for anything they might testify to. The people of the United States hold up their hands in horror at the way Dreyfus was convicted, yet Dreyfus had a better show than I had, for he was informed of the nature of the charge against him, and was given a chance to controvert it. All that asked was to be brought face to face with my accusers, and have a chance to defend myself. There is no law compelling the Commissioner of Pensions to take ex parte evidence, and thus encourage in-dividual pension-haters to commit perjury. —HENRY STRATTON, Tehama, Cal.

Such a proceeding as this which our correspondent describes is a common one with the Pension Bureau, and is repugnant to every American idea. There is no fundamental principle more dear to Ameri-

PERSONAL.

A physician of St. Joseph, Mo., says that ex-Senator John J. Ingalls has cancer of the throat, and will never recover. His to get rid of him is by expulsion, which re-throat pains him a great deal. He has quires a two-thirds vote, that probably gone to Mexico, expecting to find relief from the climate

Comrade C. A. Norton, formerly of the 1st Me. Cav., and now a resident of Hartford, Conn., has shown that the veterans are not back numbers by a long shot. He went with some friends to New York to see the yacht race, and got on board : will make this declaration have been fiercely large steamer that was advertising to carry passengers at \$1 apiece. Some 800 men and women took passage. Shortly after the boat pulled out it developed that contended that the constitutional provision a gang of New York gamblers had pos giving the House the sole right to judge session of the boat. They set up gam of the qualifications of its members is bling devices on all the decks, and began limited strictly to such qualifications as ficeeing the passengers. They did not stop at this, but began insulting the ladie and robbing the passengers of field-glasses etc. The citinax was reached when th refusing to unseat or expel members who boat reached Sandy Hook and would no were defendants in cases more or less go any farther. Capt. Norton, who had criminal tried in the courts. It twice lost an arm on the battlefield, became the refused to unseat George Q. Cannon, Dele- leader of 'the indignant passengers, and, ucading a committee, approached the Captain, who claimed that he must turn of the Committee on Elections, reported was something wrong with one of the steam-pipes. He could do nothing with Utah being declared vacant, on the ground the gamblers, because he said they had that a majority of the votes had been cast chartered the boat. He became very in sulting to the committee, but they made it so hot for him that he became alarmed on account of his living in polygamy in pulled off his uniform, and hid in the coalhole. Another man came up and claimed to be the Captain, and finally another, until there were four. Capt. Norton took command of everything, ordered the jack to be lowered to half-mast, the flag to be holsted union down, and distress signals to be sounded by the whistle. He also ordered the roulet tables and other gambling paraphernalin to be thrown overboard, which was done. The gamblers board, which was done. The gamblers more?" chimed in Shorty, his voice suddened that he had not seen the had helped him up the carrying the body back. Si stripped the blouse up so as to cover the head, and took the shoulders between his hands, and so glad to see you. I've bin huntin' every where for you. What's happened to you? Badly hurt?"

"And has anybody seen Pete Skidmore?" chimed in Shorty, his voice suddened that he had not seen had been engrossed by the struggle for the flag. "Did any of you boys see either Alf or Monty?" he asked here in the book over the wounded, as a lower of finding the mouth and the eyes to show.

"Hello, boys," said a weak voice, which he took in each hand, and go before in the blouse up so as to cover the head, and took the shoulders between his hands, and so glad to see you. I've bin huntin' every where for you. What's happened to you? Badly hurt?"

"Nothing, only the left side o' my head tore out," said Alf feebly. "Something struck me, probably a bomb-shell, just as I was going up the bank after you. I were down to our Surgeon, but he was too hole. Another man came up and claimed store the flazz, when a lively fight ensued. in which the gamblers were badly whipped arrested the men whom Comrade Norton pointed out

Jerry Simpson is the one Populist leader who came out of the whirl with a substantial sum to the good. He started into publie life with a fine ranch at Medicine Lodge. which he had built up off an original home stead entry, and had 400 or 500 cattle. He was estimated in the commercial agency as worth \$30,000. Then he had eight years of which he saved, and consequently re-

of \$6, and that only for two years. He

eached the age of 64. He still retains his rank of Major-General of Volunteers, and time, on account of the Department desiring him to remain on duty at San Francisco. and care for the returning volunteers, in which work he has given much satisfaction. His retirement from the rank of Brigadier General will be taken advantage of to promote to the rank of Brigadier-General and retire five Colonels, who have had more than 35 years of service, and who distinruished themselves in the Spanish war, These are: Col. Royal T. Frank, 1st U. S. Art.; Col. Samuel Ovenshine, 23d U. S. Col. A. C. Pennington, 2d U. S. Art.; Col. Louis H. Carpenter, 5th U. S. Cav., and Col. Daniel W. Burke, 17th U. S. All of these promise to retire immediately after receiving their promotion, and the process will require but a few weeks. Then will come up the erious question of whom to promote for the permanent rank of Brigadier-General. It is entirely within the President's prerogaive to select any one he pleases for a Brig: er-General, subject to the advice and con sent of the Senate. There are a great num ber of officers who deserve the promotion and would make efficient Brigadiers. But there are only three who are mentioned as likely to be those from whom the selection will be made. These are Lawton, Mac-Arthur and Wood, who are all Major-Gen-erals of Volunteers, though their rank in the Regular Army differs very greatly. Law ton is a Colonel in the Inspector-General's Bureau, MacArthur is a Lieutenaut-Colonel in the Adjutant-General's Bureau, and Wood is a Captain in the Surgeon-General's Bureau. If the President should General's Bureau. If the President should go outside of the Regular Army he would probably take either Funston or Wheeler, but this is not considered likely. Opinion

nelines in favor of MacArthur being the lucky man, and in that event Gen. Lawton would be promoted upon the retirement of Gen. Thos. M. Anderson, next January. In the event of MacArthur being thus promoted, he will stand a good chance of being Commander of the United States Army for two years before he retires in June, 1909. Gen. Merritt will retire June 16, 1900

Gens. Brooks and Otis in 1902, and Gen Miles in 1903. Gen. Jas. F. Wade will succeed Gen Miles as Commander of the United States Army in 1903, and continue till 1907, when he will have to retire.

Inspector-General Breckinridge has gone



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Si and Shorty return to their regiment, which they find encamped on the side of Mission Ridge, near Chattanooga. They were ordered to bring with them a batch of boyish recruits, whom they succeed in some lively ex-The recruits are through, after periences on the road.

away to where loud groans were impera-tively calling for his helpful ministrations. Si and Harry broke down a thick layer of cedar branches to make a comfortable divided up among the companies—Co. Q bed for Gid, placed a chunk under his head receiving seven. Gathering Up the Boys After the Battle.
"Hooray for Injianny. Injianny gits abatis in front, but could find no trace of ere every time," roared Si, joining the yelling, exultant throng crowding around shot he had crawled back under the shelter the Colonel. "The old 200th wuz the first to cross the works, and miles ahead o' any flying bullets, and died there. They turned for the Wild Wanderers of the "Shorty joined in. "They're the him, or any trace. But they found Bob

ne kin bring him to."

The rough motion roused Gid, and as they clambered back over the works, Harry

was thrilled to see him open his eyes

ittle ways.
"Apparently," said the busy Surgeonn

stopping for a minute, with knife and bullet-forceps in his blood-stained hands to give a brief glance and two or three swift

touches to Gid, 'the hall has struck his side and broke a rib or two. He's swooned from less of blood. The blood's stopped flowing now, and he'll come around all right. Lay him over there in the shade of

those trees. Put something under his head, and make him as comfortable as possible. I'll attend to him as soon as I



SHORTY SPRANG UP ELECTRIFIED AND TORE ACROSS THE INTERVENING

Co. Le's have a speech. Where's Monty Scruggs?

Scruggs?"

"Yes, where's Monty?" echoed Si, with the lengthening row of the regiment's dead, which was being gathered up.

Then they went reluctantly back—shuddering with the certainty of what they emerged from the abatis, just before the

Shorty, as Si was looking around. "Where's

deally changing from a tone of exultation to one of deepest concern. "Why don't some of vou speak? Are you all dumb?" they were brought in, in hopes of finding some of his squad there.

"There are three of us yet missing," he

efore grouped themselves together in to the Orderly's call. Shorty strained their eyes to see more of the company disengaging themselves from the clouds. Too bad, he couldn't have lived long enough to see us go over the that's a great thing. I'm awful hungry, the throng around the Colonel.

Wayin' the floor."

Where's my haver-The Orderlies of the other companies

lled to their men to fall in at different The Colonel looked at the muster with

of which he saved, and consequently retired to his ranch with something like 345,000 of the usufruct of his statesmanship.

Comrade Andrew Munger, the captor of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and has been drawing a paltry little pension of Jeff Davis, lives at Marcellus, Mich., and Jeff Davis and Jeff Davis at Marcellus, Mich., and Jeff Davis at Marcellus, Mich., and Jeff Davis at Marcellus, Mich

Gen. Shafter retired from the Regular Army last Monday, with the rank of Brigadier-General, on account of his baying reached the box " said to box " said to

company recrossed the works.
"Great heavens! he's bin shot through

with forced cheerfulness: I hope you ain't hurt bad, Monty." "I was hurt bad enough, the Lerd knows. answered the boy with a wan smile, "I hain't been hurt so bad since I stubbed my sore toe last Summer. But I'm getting er it pretty fast. Just as I started up bank a rebel threw a stone as big as

"You betweedid." Si answered exultantly.

"Licked the stuffin out of 'em. Awful glad you're no worse hurt, Monty. Make your way inside there, and you'll find the Surgeon. He'll bring you around all right. We're goin' to look for the other boys."

"Alf Russell county."

"Those with him, more intent on getting something to eat, had pushed on back to where their haversacks and canteens and blankets had been left.

Presently Shorty heard a call across the little valley:

"Cor—po—ral Ell—iott."

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"Alf Russell caught a bullet," said Monty

armed thim, when that rebel's bowlder gave me something else to think about, so I don't know where he is."

"Gid Mackall's lying over there, somewhere," said Harry Josyln, who may be a cross the intervening space at the design to the property of the prop

come Shorty was tearing through the tangled brush, turning over the tree-tops by main strength, searching for Pete Skidmore. The rest of the company were seeking out the fallen ones hither and thither, and calling to one another, as they made discoveries, but Shorty only looked for Pete Skidmore. Si and Harry presently came to Gid Mackall's body, lying motionless in a pool of blood that dyed crimson the brown leaves thickly dyed crimson the brown leaves thickly thought he was comin' over there to skin us covering the ground. His cap had fallen off, and his head had crushed down into a down behind the bank and run back here ninch of slender oak twigs; his eyes were losed, and his callow face white as paper. "O, he's dead! He's stone dead," wailed

Harry Josyln. "And just think quarreled and fought with him "Mebbe not," said Si. sights were more fam hole in his blouse is

as regiment in the Army o' the Cumber- | Willis, stark in death, lying prone in the hand, and the Army o' the Cumberland's the top of a young hickory, into which he had boss army on earth. Hooray for Us & crashed, when the fatal bullet found him pressing courageously forward. they carried pitifully forward, and added to

hould find, to bring in Jim Humphreys's

Harry Joslyn was so agitated by the sight of Humphreys's mangled head and staring eyes that Si made him turn his back, place himself between the feet, one of which

Co. Q, over here by this pile of picks no tellin' how long we'll stay here. Jim'd no tellin' how long we'll stay note.
rather we put him under than strangers rather don't know and care for him. It's Scarcely 20 of the 80 stalwart youths the had lined up at the foot of the rocky alisades of Rocky Face two evenings pick and you take a shovel. We'll make the walkin' around with the side of your head knocked out. I'm asterials a line walkin' around with the side of your head knocked out. I'm asterials a line walkin' around with the side of your head knocked out. I'm asterials a line walkin' around with the side of your head knocked out. I'm asterials a line walkin' around with the side of your head knocked out. the grave right here, where the Colonel lit when he jumped over the works with the flag. That'll tickle Jim, if he's lookin' down from the clouds. Too bad, he couldn't

wavin' the flag."
"The best thing," said Harry, forgetting his sorrow in the exciting memories of the fight, "was to see the Orderly sock his

"Orderly, take the company back into e abatis, and look for the boys," odered out. McGill'enddy.

"Better wait till the Captain comes back the bowels?" thought Si, turning toward and gives the orders," said the Orderly. "I him with sickening apprehension of this most dreaded of wounds. Then, aloud, Captain's orders. Then, we ought to have his blanket to bury him in. You go ahead and dig Bob Willis's grave, and I'll take a detail back and bring up the blankets and

things. Shorty had pushed his unavailing he remembered to have seen the boy, in the over it pretty fast. Just as I started up the bank a rebel threw a stone as big as my fist at me, and it took me square where I live. I thought at first that whole battery over there in the fort had shot at me all at once. Goodness, but it hurt! My, but that fellow could throw a stone! Seemed to me that it went clear into me, and bent my back-bone. I've been feeling to see if it wasn't bent. But we got the works all.

crustily.

gave me something else to think about, so I don't know where he is."

"Gid Mackall's lying over there, somewhere," said Harry Josyln, who was all anxiety in regard to his old partner and antagonist. "Let me go and find him."

"Go ahead," said Si, helping Monty to his feet. "I'll be right with you."

While Si was going back the way he had come Shorty was tearing through the sangled brush, turning over the tree-toes as soon as he could get breath. "Didn't the

alive for leaving the things, and we ducked down behind the bank and run back here as fast as w. could fetch it. You ain't goin' to tell the Captain on us, and have us

st think how has mornwhom such "That bulletow down and too I could pound you for the worry you've

riven me in the last hour. But you ain't

fur out to've hit either his heart or his lungs, seems to me. Mebbe he's only fainted from loss o' blood. Ketch hold o his feet. I'll take his head, and we'll carry him back to the Surgeon. Likely "Nope," answered Pete. "But we both yot awfully seratched runnin' through that orush. Say, wasn't the way the boys umped the works and waded into them sardines just grand?"

The Orderly Sergeant and his detail came

ack for the things, and Shorty and the oys, picking up those belonging to the mad, made their way to the company. By the time they got back everybody's notions had subsided sufficiently to allow im to remember that he was terribly tungry, and that the next business in order should be the cooking of the first warm meal they had had for more than a ay. Fires were soon blazing in every rection, and the air was fragrant with the nell of hot coffee and cooking meat. Even Monty Scruggs felt that the kink had gone out of his backbone, and the disturbance in his dietetic department had sufficiently subpossible. I'll attend to him as soon as I can get through with these men who are much worse off than he is."

And the over-worked Surgeon hurried ided to allow him to enjoy a cup of coffee and piece of toasted meat on a hardtack. The Surgeon had reached Gid Mackall, and

The Surgeon had reached the Mackan, and had put him in comfortable shape.

The bodies of Bob Willis and Jim Humbhreys were wrapped in their blankets, and mournfully consigned to the earth. A cedar bush was stack in the head of each grave, and Si, finding a piece of smooth board and a chunk of soft charcoal from a chart was the board and had been and heavy ire, sat down on the bank, and begun aboriously composing the following in-

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"That's all right, Si," said Shorty coming up with his mouthful of hardtack and ment, and inspecting Si's work with critical approval. "You kin lay away over me and all the rest when it comes to writin' and composin'. And you know how to spell, too. I wish I had your education. But I never had a chance to go to school."

"Then you think it'll do, Shorty," said Si, much flattered by his partner's approval.

"Yes, it's just bully. But I think you ought to say something about Jim's good character. That's usual on tombstones. You might say of him that he had in him

You might say of him that he had in him the makin' of the finest poker player in the Army o' the Cumberland. I never see a sleepy-headed boy pick up the fine pints o' the game like he did, and he had nerve, too, along with his science."

"No, it wouldn't do at all to put anything o' that kind on," answered Si, going to the grave, and driving the board down with a pick. "Mustn't let Jim's folks know for the world that he gambled. It'd be the last straw on his poor old mother, who's a strict Baptist. She may stand hearing that he's killed, but never could that he played cards. What in the world's that he played cards. What in the world's become of Alf Russell, do you s'pose?"

"Who in Jeff Davis's dominions is that comin' up?" said Shorty, seanning an approaching figure. "Looks as if he'd had his head busted and then tied up agin with strings."

The figure certainly looked like Alf Proceedings of the company of the com

Russell and wore Alf Russell's clothes, but the head was unrecognizable. A broad white bandage encircled the face, going from the top of the forchead around under the chin, and there were several folds of it. Then it ran around the head transversely, covering the nose and the cheeks, and only allowing the mouth and

denly changing from a tone of exultation store the flags, when a lively fight ensued, in which the gamblers were badly whipped and forced to secrete themselves. The distress signals finally received attention, and when the vessel got back to the pier there was a squad of police waiting, who arrested the men whom Comrade Norton.

denly changing from a tone of exultation to one of deepest concern. "Why don't some of his squad there.

"There are three of us yet missing," he brigade hospital, but the Surgeons there said. "Mebbe they've got mixed up with the Kankakee boys on our left, and 'Il come in all right after awhile. Mebbe they're dot mail right after awhile. Mebbe they're some whom was waiting to have his leg dressed. There was a mournful tremor in it. "Fall you'd better dispoor Jim's grave. There's no tellin' how long we'll stay here. Jim' went down to our Surgeon, but he was too some of his squad there.

"There are three of us yet missing," he brigade hospital, but the Surgeons there were too busy, too. They gave me a roll in the Kankakee boys on our left, and 'Il come in all right after awhile. Mebbe they're got mixed up with the Kankakee boys on our left, and 'Il come in all right after awhile. Mebbe they're some whom was waiting to have his leg dressed. I famey I did quite a neat piece of bandaging, as well as the Surgeons themwent down to our Surgeon, but he men who was waiting to have his leg dress-ed. I fancy I did quite a neat piece of bandaging, as well as the Surgeons them-selves could've done it. Don't you think

so?"
"Great Scott!" gasped Si, "you couldn't

"So'm I," returned Alf placidly. surprised that I'm doing as well as I am. But I gave myself good attendance, and

"Here it is," said Si, readily. here's a cup o' hot coffee. Fil brile you a piece o' meat. But really, I don't think on ought to eat anything before the Su geon sees you. Mebbe it won't be good "I'll chance it." said Alf desperately.

reaching for the cup of coffee. "I'm it'll be better for me to eat something. "Le's go down and see the Surgeon," insisted Si.
"No," protested Alf. "it ain't hurting me much now, and he's awful busy with other men, so we hadn't better interrupt

rderly. "Stack arms! Right face—"Greatk ranks—March!" "Orderly." said Si a little later, "we've got Jim Humphreys's grave dug. Will you take the things out of his pockets to send to his folks? and then we'll bury him." "Certainly," said the Surgeon ought to see you at once, alf." interjected Shorty. "Here comes one of 'em now. Doctor, will you please look on this pockets to send to his folks? and then we'll bury him." "Certainly," said the Surgeon, stopping this boy."
"Certainly," said the Surgeon, stopping
h his way. "I guess I can spare a min-

ute. Take off that bandage, my bo "Don't mind me, Doctor," said "Tain't hurting me now, at all, scarcely. I did it up very carefully."
"Take off the bandage at once, I tell you," said the Surgeon imperatively.

on his way.

haven't any time to waste. Let me see your wound." your wound."

Alf set down his cup of coffee, and began laboriously unwinding the long bandage, while the rest stood around in anxious expectation. Yards of folds came off from around his forehead and chin, and then he reached that around his nose and the back of his head. Still the ghastly edges of the terrible wound did not develop. Finally the blood-soaked last layer came off, and revealed where a bullet had made

he cheek and made a nick in the ear. "Alf, that rebel come dumbed night missin' you," said the greatly relieved St. "If you should happen to ketch cold in that it wouldn't git well for a week," added "Give me that bandage," said the Surgeon just before he hurried away. "Take this sticking-plaster and draw the lips of the wound together, and if you keep the dirt

shallow but ugly-looking furrow across

out it may heal without a sear. (To be continued.)

THE 1st MONT.

There was no better regiment sent to he Philippines than the 1st Mont., and one distinguished itself more by dash n attacking and stubbornness in h olding n. It was always alongside the 1st Neb. the 20th Kan., the 10th Pa., etc., in the front line, and the young State of Montana can be well proud of its first quota to the armies of the United States. The official report of its casualties is as fol-

lows:	
Total mustered in	993
Discharged	277
Killed and died of wounds	21
Died of disease	
Deserted	1
Drowned	1
Remaining for muster out OFFICERS.	676
Total commissioned	50
Promoted from ranks	19
Resigned	2
Discharged	17
Killed	1
Died of disease	1
Remaining for muster out	48